The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I oppose the proposed merger of DirecTV and DISH Network. I am a former subscriber to the PrimeStar satellite TV system, and I am aware of the effect of having DirecTV take over.

When DirecTV took over Primestar, the quality of service went down and the cost of the service increased.

I anticipate a similar loss in quality of service and increase in price will result when DirecTV takes over DISH and no longer has any competition in the satellite TV field.

For those of us who rely on Satellite TV, the proposed merger is a bad thing.

Sincerely,

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